

House Would Taboo "Picture Bride"

Washington.—The woes of the "picture bride" were revealed here today in connection with the perennial immigration bill fight with its threat of international complications, that is near in the house.

Chairman Burnett, of the immigration committee, said that the proposed legislation would eliminate among other things the Japanese "picture bride" practice which he says is a growing evil.

"The 'picture bride' is a woman who pretends to marry by proxy in Japan and then comes to the United States or its territories to meet her 'husband' whom frequently she has never seen.

These couples seldom marry, according to the chairman, but usually part soon after the woman is safely landed, never to meet again. Statistics filed with the committee show that 2,000 "picture brides" entered Hawaii last year and 1,800 came to the United States.

Friends of the literacy test measure, which probably will be brought on the floor late this week, boast today that they had enough votes to pass it over another veto by the president which is confidently expected if the bill ever reaches him. Supporters of the Asiatic exclusion bills are making a determined effort to have one of them reported, despite the purpose of the state department to prevent consideration of any such legislation this season.

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800 acres Union county land 8 miles of Texline, well improved. Two wells with windmills, good barn cowsheds and corrals, outbuildings, good six room house, good, young orchard, some bearing trees. Ten acres alfalfa fenced hog-tight. 300 acres in cultivation, all good tillable land. Part cash and part time. See or write W. L. Harrell, Texline, Texas. 7-31.

Our State Lands

Two gentlemen met as chance acquaintances in a Pullman car smoking room. One was a cowman, the other an expert accountant. In the course of the conversation the cowman produced a newspaper clipping of the annual report of the Hon. R. P. Ervien, commissioner of public lands of New Mexico.

The cowman said to the expert: "Here is something in your line, what do you think of it?"

The expert looked over the statement carefully and remarked: Land seems to be in demand in New Mexico.

"Yes," said the cowman, "do you see anything peculiar in that statement?"

"Well," said the expert, "you know men in my profession are always looking out for the interest on a dollar. Here is \$53,000 returned to applicants for land. The question is how long was this money in the hands of the commissioner?"

"I don't know," said the cowman, "but I do know that I have had up for nearly a year quite a sum of money for my application. The commissioner says that the land has been selected but that he can not complete the contract until the U. S. Department of the Interior patents the land, and that he does not know how soon that will be. See anything else?"

"Yes," said the expert. "Here is \$710,000.00 on deposit with the commissioner by applicants for state lands. Who gets the interest on this money, the state or the commissioner?"

"Damfino," said the cowman.—La Voz Publica.

Jail Delivery at Deming Results in Killing Two Men and Wounding Two More

Deming, N. M., Feb. 21.—In a jail delivery here yesterday morning at 9:30 o'clock, five prisoners made their escape. They are Francisco Acosta, accused of murder; J. O. Starr and C. Schmidt, alleged burglars; W. Dashiely, alleged forger, and Joe Cranson, vagrant. The escaped prisoners, who were headed for the Mexican border in an automobile, had an hour's start before the delivery was known and a posse could be formed.

The party was apprehended by a posse about a mile and a half west of Rincon last night, where a gunfight took place, as a result of which Dwight W. Stephens, sheriff of Luna county, and Joe Cranson, one of the prisoners, are dead. Deputy Sheriff "Buck" Sevier is painfully but not seriously wounded, and J. O. Starr, another of the prisoners, is in the Dona Ana county jail with a bullet in his shoulder.

According to Marshal Tabor of this city, who was one of the posse pursuing the men, the posse encountered the fugitives about a mile northwest of Rincon, where they had stopped their machine and were eating a lunch. The bandits opened fire and for a time there was a rapid exchange of shots. As they closed in on the jail breakers, "Buck" Sevier said "Throw up your hands, you." He fired one shot and fell. Sheriff Stevens was killed without firing a shot, falling with his arm raised to shoot. Cranson, who had been forced to drive the car by the bandits, was killed by Deputy Sheriff Kelly. At this juncture the bandits, one of whom secured Sheriff Stevens' revolver, broke in full flight, one going in the direction of El Paso and the other two going northeast toward station called Grama. Tabor says they captured the wounded bandit, Starr, and with a machine gathered up the body of Sheriff Stevens and started for Rincon, where the prisoner's wounds and those Sevier were dressed, and the captured man lodged in jail.

Marshal Tabor wired Deming for assistance and in about two hours, fifty Deming citizens, including a detachment of Company I, N. M. N. G. under command of Lieutenant Clyde Earl Ely, arrived and began patrolling the country in a search for the men.

Schmidt, one of the five prisoners who broke jail at Deming, N. M., yesterday, was captured early today fourteen miles outside of Las Cruces, according to a long distance message received here. The body of Sheriff D. B. Stephens of Luna county has arrived at Deming.

When arrested by possemen, Schmidt was walking along the rail-

road track carrying a revolver. He was "covered" and ordered to drop the weapon. He made no attempt at resistance.

NOTICE OF CONTEST

C. 5916

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Clayton, New Mexico, February 23, 1916.

To A. Tom Cox of Des Moines, N. M., Contestee:

You are hereby notified that Henry J. Chapman who gives Valley, N. M., as his post-office address, did on January 26, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of your Homestead Entry No. _____ Serial No. 011514 made January 10, 1910, for Lots 1 & 2, NE 1-4 NW1-4, NW1-4 NE1-4 Section 31, Township 31 N., Range 23 E., N. M. P., Meridian, and as grounds for his contest he alleges that A. Tom Cox, has abandoned the said land since the inception of the entry, that he has never established residence, that he has failed to cultivate and improve said land, and that said defaults still exist and that title to the land has not been earned.

You are, therefore, further notified that the said allegations will be taken as confessed, and your said entry will be canceled without further right to be heard, either before this office or on appeal, if you fail to file in this office within twenty days after the FOURTH publication of this notice, as shown below, your answer, under oath, specifically responding to these allegations of contest, together with due proof that you have served a copy of your answer on the said contestant either in person or by registered mail.

You should state in your answer the name of the post office to which you desire future notices to be sent to you.

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NOTICE OF CONTEST

C. 5920

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Clayton, N. M., February 23, 1916.

To Emilia M. Gomez of Cutes, N. M., Contestee:

You are hereby notified that Nieves Quintana who gives Cutes, N. M., as his post-office address did on January 26, 1916, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of your Homestead Entry No. _____ Serial No. 015312 made Dec. 13, 1912, for SE1-2 SE1-4, Sec. 11, NE1-4 Section 14, Township 20 N., Range 34 E., N. M. P., Meridian, and as grounds for his contest he alleges that Emilia M. Gomez, has failed to establish and maintain residence on the land, that she has failed to cultivate and improve said land, that said defaults still exist and that title to the land has not been earned.

You are, therefore, further notified that the said allegations will be taken as confessed, and your said entry will be canceled without further right to be heard, either before this office or on appeal, if you fail to file in this office within twenty days after the FOURTH publication of this notice, as shown below, your answer, under oath, specifically responding to these allegations of contest, together with due proof that you have served a copy of your answer on the said contestant either in person or by registered mail.

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Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office, Clayton, N. M., Feb. 14, 1916.

Notice is hereby given that George P. Jack, of Vance, N. M., who, on Sep. 25, 1911, made homestead application Serial No. 014113, for SW 1-4 and S 1-4, Section 12, Township 23N, Range 35E, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver U. S. Land Office, at Clayton, N. M. on the 24th day of March, 1916.

Claimant names as witnesses: James Robertson, Russell Lewis, Geo. L. Pfeiffer, Sam Bachelor, all of Vance, N. M.
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